The Maryland Commission to consist of three members, one of whom shall be the Commission of Conservation; one of whom shall be a member of the Legislature and a member of the Commission on Interstate Cooperation and the third member shall be appointed by the Governor. The member so appointed by the Governor must be with the advice and consent of the Senate. The term of the member appointed by the Governor shall be for three years from June 1, 1941. The sum of \$700.00 is hereby appropriated for the expenses of the Commission created by this Act."

THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

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Steuart Purcell	1945	Baltimore
Charles B. Bosley	1947	Baltimore County
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Paul L. Holland, Chief Eng	gineer	Baltimore
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The Public Service Commission of Maryland was created by Chapter 180 of the Acts of 1910, effective April 5, 1910.

The Governor appoints the three members of the Commission, one of whom he designates as Chairman. The term of office is six years, and the term of one Commissioner expires every two years. The Governor also appoints the General Counsel to the Commission for a term of six years.

The Commission has jurisdiction over steam and electric railroads, street railways, common carriers generally, including all railroad corporations, express companies, sleeping car companies, steamboat, power boat and ferry companies, toll bridges and also motor vehicles engaged in the public transportation of passengers and freight. The Commission also has jurisdiction over gas companies, electric companies, telephone companies, telegraph companies, water companies and heating and refrigerating companies. The jurisdiction of the Commission is limited to operations within the State of Maryland.

By legislation enacted subsequent to the original Act, the Commission has been given power to fix minimum as well as maximum rates, to suspend schedules of rates pending the determination of the reasonableness of the rates proposed, and utilities are forbidden to abandon or discontinue the exercise of franchises without the permission and approval of the Commission.